

Appln No. 10/712,809
Amdt date August 18, 2005
Reply to Office action of June 6, 2005

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 35-52 remain in the present application, of which claims 35 and 44 are independent. None of the claims has been amended herein. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of claims 35-52.

I. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) Mailed November 13, 2003

While reviewing the Office Action mailed June 6, 2005, applicants have noticed that there is no indication that the Examiner has considered the references cited in an IDS mailed November 13, 2003 together with the Application. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the references, if they have not been considered already, and that an initialed copy of FORM PTO/SB/08A/B be entered in the application file and returned to applicants with the next communication from the Patent Office in accordance with MPEP § 609. A copy of the IDS and FORM PTO/SB/08A/B is submitted herewith for the Examiner's reference convenience.

II. Obviousness-Type Double Patenting Rejection

Claims 35-52 have been rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as allegedly being unpatentable over claims 1-4 of U.S. Patent No. 6,570,579 (the "'579 patent").

Applicants are filing herewith a terminal disclaimer in compliance with 37 CFR § 1.321(c). Therefore, applicants request that the rejection of claims 35-52 under the judicially


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created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting be withdrawn. The terminal disclaimer is being filed only for the purpose of advancing prosecution of the application, and as such, should not be taken as an admission of obviousness. Further, since claims 35-52 have not been otherwise rejected, applicants request that they be allowed.

III. Concluding Remarks

In view of the terminal disclaimer and the above remarks, applicants respectfully request an early issuance of a patent with claims 35-52. If there are any remaining issues that can be addressed over the telephone, the Examiner is cordially invited to call applicants' attorney at the number listed below.

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
FOR A CONTINUING NON-CPA APPLICATION

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Commissioner:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, enclosed is FORM PTO/SB/08A/B. The references listed thereon are not enclosed because they were of record in a parent application, Application No. 09/437,348, filed November 9, 1999.

It is respectfully requested that these references be considered in the examination of this application, and identified in the list of references cited on the patent issuing on this application.

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